

At Random

Baby's favorite song is O, You "Pistol Packin' Mama."

An' by golly, it does have an inspiring dance tune.

Just watch the crowds sway when a juke box blares it out.

One of the Marines down under tried to trim up a waste basket to look like a Christmas tree. That boy was thinking of the home circle.

The thought of it should deserve a sympathetic tear.

Then people here at home complain.

Howard Granger of Mac & Gidley's took a number of beautiful frost pictures last week. Everything had a beautiful silvery sheen.

Overheard—Mamma, what makes daddy make faces and hiccough every time he comes up from fixing the furnace?

1944 auto plates are now on sale. But you pay the same as you did for two.

Why not have permanent license plates, and thus save further costs?

No matter how a soldier is dressed. If he is an American, it is claimed, he is always hungry, broke and wants to get somewhere he ain't.

You never hear told about what happens at a cocktail party than you do about what happens at a prayer meeting.

Correcting juvenile delinquency is about 10% law responsibility and 90% strictly household responsibility.

You don't hear of any senate committees going to Alaska in wintertime to make investigations.

Florida would be much more attractive.

If Gen. Clark's remarks helped German morale, a labor strike should make them jubilant.

May we Americans here at home make ourselves worthy of the sacrifices our boys are making for us.

Our boys don't ask for our tears, but they do want our united help.

And, by-the-way, empty that laid-away-sock and buy war bonds.

Isolationist Republicans don't seem to want Willie.

Some people just nationally believe the best of everything is somewhere else. Even to climate.

Wonder what Napoleon would think if he could see the mess Hitler has got the whole world into. But then, he would have Josephine to comfort him.

We might appreciate rationing more if after-dinner speeches could be rationed.

Too bad, Swede, (Swanson) that you didn't get those topped for free beers in Rome New Years day.

"I thank you for the flowers you sent," she said.

"I'm sorry for the words I spoke last night; forgive me."

He forgave her. And that night as they walked and talked beneath the bowers,

He wondered who in heck had sent the flowers.

Miss Helen Brady Married To Mr. James Withim

Mr. and Mrs. John Brady announce the marriage of their daughter Helen Mary to Mr. Leo James Withim, son of Mr. and Mrs. James T. Withim of Detroit. The ceremony was solemnized at a nuptial mass at Presentation Catholic Church at 9:30 o'clock on January 1st. Miss Jean Brady attended her sister as bridesmaid and Bartland Eldred served as bestman. Following the ceremony a wedding breakfast for 14 guests was served at Canterbury Inn, the couple leaving afterwards on a short honeymoon trip to Canada. Returning they will be at home at 4241 Blaine street, Detroit.

The bride who is a graduate of Grayling High schools, class of '27, is employed in the office of the Chrysler Corporation and Mr. Withim by General Motors Corporation.

Grayling friends of the bride extend congratulations and best wishes.

Mancelona Here Friday Night; Gaylord Also Falls

The conference game for the flashy Grayling High quintet was registered in the win column when Gaylord was defeated by the score of 33-20. On Friday, January 14th, Grayling will face Mancelona on the local court in their second Conference tilt. This will be a battle between two undefeated teams in Conference play. Mancelona is favored, as the leader in Conference competition, with wins over Boyne City, Charlevoix, and East Jordan, besides taking Kalkaska in a non-conference game. The lone loss to the locals this year was accomplished by Kalkaska.

In downing a tough, Gaylord basketball team the Green Wave displayed some classy basketball, with marked improvement from previous games. The locals held the advantage throughout, gaining a 12-0 lead at the expiration of the first period and increasing their scoring in the second quarter to gain a lead of 20-7 at the intermission. The third canto saw the locals continuing their scoring spree and at one time had a lead of 28-10; however, Gaylord outscored Grayling in the last quarter, with the game closing with a score of 33 to 20.

Sandy Thompson was the leader of the Grayling drive and played brilliant ball, with fine passing and shooting while in the game.

Thompson left the game in the third period via the personal foul route, and at the time the locals held a 28-10 advantage. Bennett played fine at forward, while Stevenson did a bang-up job at center on the backboards, along with fine shooting. Bennie Allen with his alert defensive play and fine passing again sparked Ed Carlson starting his first ball game as a freshman made a fine impression working nicely with Allen at the guard posts. Burns, Anthony, Brady and Schaible, varsity reserves, saw action and kept the tempo of the game at par. In addition regulars on the "B" squad DeLaMater, Small, Miller and Peterson had a taste of varsity competition.

In the preliminary game, the "B" squad reserves defeated an Eighth Grade team 36-6. Quite a few future Grayling high greats performed in this contest.

Don't miss the Mancelona-Grayling game, Friday, January 14th, with the first game starting at 7:30.

New Plates Require New Tire Records

With the 1944 license plates now on sale, the Saginaw district Office of Price Administration today reminded motorists that it will be necessary to make certain changes on their tire inspection records and gasoline ration books to insure proper endorsement of the credentials.

Whenever there is a change in the license number of the vehicle, the rationing division advises, the ration holder is required to cancel the former number in ink or indelible pencil on his tire inspection record and on the cover of his gasoline ration book.

Providing the new number has been entered on the book cover, it is not necessary to change the license number previously entered on the individual coupons. However, it is stressed, all coupons must be endorsed with the license number and the state of issue immediately upon receipt of the rationations.

In the Editor's Mail

Hollywood, Florida.

Mr. Schumann:

Today is Sunday, and a beautiful day as they all are. I can't make myself believe its December. Christmas was a big day here. Had a snow man for the children. The Kiwanis club put on a big party for about three hundred children, the gunnery soldiers furnished the music and singing. It was beautiful. Had a big Christmas tree, Australian pine, very pretty, so I enjoyed a little bit of home at Christmas time.

Remember me to Mrs. Schumann.

Mrs. Jean Matson, Hollywood, Florida.

Entertains At Dinner

Dr. and Mrs. C. G. Clippert entertained eleven friends at dinner Thursday evening at their home.

Three tables of bridge were in play throughout the evening with honor scores being held by Mrs. A. J. Joseph.

The dinner was given to celebrate the birthday anniversaries of Mrs. C. R. Kooyort and Mrs. Joseph.

PRIZE APPLES RAISE \$225 FOR GOODFELLOWS



Detroit, Michigan. At a recent charity auction in the Detroit Union Produce Terminal, a prize bushel of apples brought \$325. Alex Schreiber, above, President of the Goodfellows, congratulates Charles Brame, of the Wrigley Markets whose bid of \$325 was donated to the Goodfellows, Alex King, shown here with Russell Montgomery of the Detroit Fruit Auction Company, right, was original charity bidder on apples when they were awarded Sweetstakes prize at Horticultural show in Grand Rapids.

MRS. MALLINGER RECEIVES LETTER FROM HAWAII

Kahului, Maui, Hawaii, Nov. 24, 1943.

Dear Mrs. Mallinger:

Could hardly express myself in here now turned I was with your lovely letter and the most beautiful snapshots of Patricia Kay and Sandra Joanne. It is surely nice to be in the States to go hunting, ice skating, etc., isn't it? I wish I had been in the States, but I never did live in the mainland. Never saw a real deer in my whole life, but know what it looks like because we saw in the pictures and in the movies, too. We had snow a few years ago but we had to drive up 1000 feet above sea level to see snow—but not very much like the one in the snapshots. I should say three feet is about the most, so we can't skate. Every one of my friends assumes the way Patricia Kay and Sandra Joanne stand on the water; it's wonderful and I often think to myself, "I will go to America to see the winter sports," and I like very much to see myself when the war ends.

Sgt. Hoessli is now moved into a place a couple blocks from my house, and he seems to like it here better than Camp Popokaka. Because he can go to movies more often than he used to in Honolulu, a small town just like a cowboy town. Sgt. Hoessli came the other day and we played a card game and Chinese checkers until 9:30 p. m. He sure can speak lots of Hawaiian language with us now, so we feel that he is an old-timer here on the island.

I am now busy making dresses for the family. Each one of us will have a new Christmas dress each year. So the kids are very anxious about the whole thing.

Took pictures of Harriet and myself the other day, but the pictures are not finished yet. For the time being I'll send you this picture and in the next letter will send you the picture with my baby Harriet also try and send you pictures of sugar cane and pineapple field, island flowers and trees. My baby is still sucking her thumb. Could you give me some idea to stop her right now? Because Sgt. Hoessli was telling me how you stopped your two girls. He thinks you used some kind of medicine.

I got a letter from my husband last week stating he was near the enemy lines and slept in a pup tent, wearing his field jacket and raincoat. But he hasn't mentioned a thing where he is; but I am satisfied now because he is well. I am always keeping my fingers crossed that Sgt. Hoessli and my husband will return to their dear homes safely.

Before closing this letter I would like to thank you for the most interesting letter and the snapshots. Hope you are as well as Sgt. Hoessli, and my best regards to Miss Patricia Kay and Sandra Joanne. Until then good night and "Aloha".

Sincerely yours,  
NANCY KOHATSU.

P.S.: My picture has just arrived so I'll enclose it in here. This picture was taken at my friend's house, who lives at Pookakalo. It didn't turn out so well and I am sending a few Hawaiian souvenirs. Hope you enjoy it.

Read your home paper.  
Subscribe for the Avalanche.

Kiwanis Club Notes

PRES. TRUDGEON APPOINTS COMMITTEES FOR 1944.

No special program had been set for Wednesday's meeting. Round table discussions proved very interesting and enthusiastic. Chas. Moore read a petition that had been directed to the Council, recommending certain improvements for the good of the general public urging the construction of public comfort facilities.

City Manager, George Granger reported that work on a community skating rink was progressing well, and with continuing freezing weather and one more foot of snow the rink would be ready for use. This is located at the south end of the City park, not far from the City disposal plant.

Mr. Granger also gave a picture of the post-war projects that are being contemplated. Among those is a new City hall, with facilities for library and recreation. A separate one-story building will be provided for the recreation department. Advertisements are already out for architectural designs.

There are six other projects of community importance, such as sanitary and storm sewers, and others are being planned. Mr. Granger says that when the time comes Grayling will be in position to take advantage of the benefits offered by the federal and state planning commission or post-war planning.

Following are the standing committees appointed for the year:

Boys and Girls—Fred Welsh, Chairman.

Vocational—Guidance—James McDonnell.

Under privileged—children, Harold Throop, chairman, and George Burke.

Agriculture and Gardens, Max Laage, chairman.

Public Affairs and Business Standards, George Granger, Chairman, Dr. C. R. Kooyort, C. J. McNamara.

Kiwanis Education, Emil Giegling, chairman, Dr. C. G. Clippert.

Finance, Earl Burns, Chairman, Floyd Davis.

Membership and Attendance, A. J. Joseph, chairman, Norman Butler.

Program, Charles Moore, chairman, Fred Welsh, Carl Peterson.

Music, Dr. C. G. Clippert, chairman, Mrs. C. G. Clippert.

Church Co-operation, Rev. H. W. Kuhlman, chairman.

Conservation, O. P. Schumann, chairman, Frank Bond.

House, Alfred Sorenson.

Special—Kiwanis Skating Rink Committee.

George Granger, chairman, Chas. E. Moore, Harold Throop, Jerome Kosseler, Carl Peterson, Earl Burns.

Non-Members Cooperating With Above Committee.

Clarence Johnson, Willard Cornell.

Signed:  
Roy E. Trudgeon, Pres.

Mrs. Walter Cowell Dies Suddenly

Mrs. Walter Cowell was taken suddenly ill at her home during early Sunday morning and removed to Mercy Hospital at 2:00 a. m., passing away at 10:00. Her unexpected death was a shock to her family and friends, for although she had been in ill health for about a year with a heart ailment, she seemed to be improving right along. It was sad for her husband, as he too was a patient at the Hospital, and was awaiting to be dismissed. It is thought the daily trips to the hospital and worry over Mr. Cowell's condition in no little way contributed to her sudden demise. She had been at the Hospital to visit him as late as Saturday afternoon.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at the Grayling Funeral Home, Rev. H. W. Kuhlman officiating. The remains were interred in Elmwood cemetery. Mr. Cowell who was dismissed from Mercy Hospital Tuesday was permitted to attend the services at the funeral home only. Business places were closed during the hour of the funeral in respect to the wife of Mr. Cowell for he had been one of Grayling's business men for the past 35 years.

Bertha Amanda Wendt was born Oct. 5, 1881 in Cleveland, O., and remained there until she grew to womanhood. She was a tall and slender, and was while employed at the Soo that she met Walter Cowell and they were married. Before coming to Grayling to reside some 35 years ago they resided first in the Soo and then in Detroit. She was one of eight children in her family and the second one to precede her 88-year old mother—Mrs. William Wendt, of Palm, Mich., who besides the husband together with four sisters and two brothers survive the deceased. The sisters are Mrs. John Reuter and Mrs. Wendt, Palm, Mich., Mrs. Henry Bremer, Mrs. Lillian McDonald, Detroit, and William Wendt, Emmett, Mich. The aged mother and sisters together with Mr. Reuter and Walter Graichen of Palm were in attendance at the funeral. Also there were Mrs. Frank Beckman of Flint and daughter Mrs. Elmer Gamble and son Davey Joe of Jackson, George Cowell, Sault Ste. Marie, and Mrs. John Cowell, Caro.

Mrs. Cowell was an Episcopalian in faith. She was known as a thrifty homemaker and a general friend and neighbor. She is going to be missed sadly in her home, where most of her time was spent, as well as by many close friends. The latter know best the many qualities this fine woman possessed.

Intra-mural Notes

One hundred and eleven girls and boys from the grades 7-12 have been organized into basketball leagues. The first games were played last week.

They make up three leagues with the boys "Big Four" Junior High School league playing their games on Monday nights. The girls are organized into two leagues and their games will be played on Tuesday nights. The Girls Junior High School league will have four teams, while the Girls Senior High School league will be composed of six teams.

Standings and Results.

Boys "Big Four" League—

Club	W	L
Wisconsin	2	0
Michigan	1	1
Minnesota	0	2
Ohio	1	1
Wisconsin, 25, Minnesota, 12.		
Michigan, 22, Wisconsin, 2.		
Ohio, 12, Minnesota, 10.		

Girls Junior High School League—

Club	W	L
Bears	2	0
Beavers	1	1
Wildcats	1	1
Wolves	0	2
Wildcats, 8, Bears, 14.		
Wolves, 0, Beavers, 6.		
Bears, 20, Beavers, 0.		
Wildcats, 11, Wolves, 8.		

Girls Senior High League.

Results—

Indians, 17, White Sox, 19, (Indians won by forfeit).

Senators, 6, Browns, 3.

Indians, 15, Red Sox, 8.

Browns, 15, Yankees, 4.

Womans Club

The club met as usual at the high school Monday evening.

Body regulars (vitamins) was the subject of the lesson. Mrs. Esbern Olson read an article on "The body's mysterious chemicals" from Readers Digest.

A movie showing the effect of vitamins on the system was shown, and proved very interesting.

Food Reserve

To make sure that the right food is always available at the right time, the armed forces need a 90-day reserve for men quartered in this country—and a nine-month supply for men overseas.

Northern Lights

Rats!!!

The Homemaking 1 girls have some new pets. Four white rats in nutrition.

Doe and Harpy are being fed on a diet of whole grain cereal and milk, while Grumpy and Dokey are fed on coffee and white bread. They will remain on these diets for eight weeks. The difference won't show up for a few weeks, but we would be glad for anyone interested in seeing them to come down anytime.

Hot Lunches.

The hot lunches in the school, under the supervision of Mrs. Jean Gothro, homemaking teacher, got under way last Monday. The cooking will be in charge of Mrs. Laura McCord.

Lunches will include milk, a hot dish, and bread or sandwiches. If more is desired it must be brought from home.

Because of the many restrictions this year only those who have to stay may bring or get their lunch at school. Those who can reasonably go home are to do so.

Nurse's Report for December 1943.

Home calls made	141
Office calls	218
Exclusions, Impetigo	1
Exclusions, Scabies	2
Exclusions, Scarlatina	2
Children taken to Doctor's Office	2
Children referred to their family Doctor	16
Children taken home by nurse	1
Children sent to Traverse City to through clinic	1
Children examined daily from kindergarten through the sixth grade	
Sore throat - c temperature	31
Weights for month	228
Rx for vision corrections taken to their parents	3
Immunizations against diphtheria	9
Vision corrections made	1
Vaccinated against small pox by Dr. Atkinson	19

Helen Corwin, R. N.

The Home Town's Business Places

We repeat, Grayling is a fine city. But there are so many opportunities to make it a still finer city. We have a Chamber of Commerce. The Avalanche offers this body the mouthpiece thru which to get more industries interested in this city, toward bringing more people to live here and enjoy the many advantages Grayling offers as a place of residence. To there should be more publishing to the outside world the recreational advantages of this section of Michigan, with Grayling as the focal point. Fishing and hunting; the Winter Sports year-round enjoyment for vacationers.

The Avalanche is here to serve—and has been serving Grayling and vicinity for going on sixty-six years—this number begins Volume 66 of this paper. It is a wonderful thing for any newspaper to exist over such a period of years. Its life is based on its usefulness.

We want to see every business in Grayling resolve and so do during 1944 and all the years to come be a steady advertiser in the Avalanche, making use to the fullest extent possible of the sales possibilities waiting for them—sales possibilities that can be reached and achieved thru the advertising.

Your business is never so big but that it can be made bigger. And the Avalanche is right here today and all the time to help you increase your trade, your business, by steady use of the commodity it has for sale—ADVERTISING.

Further, the staff of the Avalanche is at your command at all times to assist you in your advertising plans and planning.

We went down Main Street, Michigan Avenue, the other evening. This, be it known, is the Grayling street of bright lights—at night.

Everything nice and pretty. A pretty city, Grayling, at night as well as day. A town worth living in.

Back at the Avalanche office we open the Home Town paper. We get to thinking—how many of Grayling's stores and business places are steady advertisers in the Crawford Avalanche? We scan the ad columns. Draw mostly a blank insofar as real advertising is concerned.

We continue to cogitate. A city without a newspaper is as a body without a soul. Indeed, it is more than that—a body without action.

No community is alive unless it is advertised. No business rises to the heights of success or stays there unless it makes generous use of publicity.

Your Home Town Paper is the community's best advertisement—and advertising medium. It carries not only to the community but to the outside world the story of the community, its worth, its progress, its endeavors, its accomplishments—the story of the doings of its people, its businesses, and the economies it shoppers may effect by patronizing the Crawford Avalanche.

Why not take advantage of all the opportunities that advertising offers which publicity in its true sense, offers you?

EMTA Executive Com. To Meet Jan. 14

Invitations have been issued for the annual winter meeting of the executive committee of the East Michigan Tourist Association, to be held on January 14, 12:15 p. m., Marston Room, Hotel Wenonah, Bay City, according to Frank Davis, secretary-manager of the association.

EMTA President, Robert Gil-lingham of Caseville, stated that the main item of business was consideration of the proposed Tourist Bill, to be submitted to the special session of the Legislature convening January 31.

Past President T. P. Peterson represents Grayling on this committee.

Well Known Frederic Resident Died

Oscar K. Smock, a well known and respected citizen of Frederic for 40 years, passed away at his home Sunday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock following a two years illness.

Oscar Kenneth Smock was born at St. Louis, Mich., April 7, 1866, and his parents were the late George and Emma Smock. He was united in marriage to Almira in 1896 at East Jordan, Mich.

Surviving besides the widow is one son—Liland Smock, Grayling, and one daughter Mrs. Leo Gannon, Big Bay, Mich., also eight grandchildren and one great grandchild.

The funeral was held Wednesday morning with services at St. Mary's church, Rev. Fr. Francis Branigan officiating. Interment was in Elmwood cemetery. Pallbearers were old Frederic friends.

Protein in Rabbit Meat

Rabbit meat contains from 19 to 21 per cent protein.

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**NATIONAL EDITORIAL  
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 1944 Active Member

THURSDAY, JANUARY 13, 1944

THE FOURTH war loan drive will start January 18th. Crawford county's quota is \$49,000. Nine thousand of that amount may be in F and G bonds. These are usually purchased by large investors. However \$40,000 in E bonds must be purchased. Those bonds are much more important and they are the ones that help to hold off inflation. Besides they give opportunity for people having smaller amounts of money with which to buy bonds. It is hoped that every community in the county will rally for the purchase of E bonds. Every family which can do so should purchase as many of these E-bonds as it is possible. The Bankhead bill before congress for the authorization of the U. S. treasury department to purchase advertising for the sale of bonds, was passed by the U. S. senate but was defeated by the House. This plan is being conducted in Canada and the cost to the government was but a fraction of 1 percent and brought out surprising fine results. Here in America the treasury department has depended upon newspapers and institutions to carry this burden of expense. This has been done most patriotically; however, it does seem that the Bankhead bill should have been passed. Our campaign starts next week. This newspaper will do everything in its power to help in the campaign as will also local institutions and merchants. Already a full page advertisement for the campaign has been purchased for the next edition of the AVALANCHE, out January 20. Two more issues will follow and we request that these pages be subscribed for by local interests. It's a patriotic gesture and we hope it will be materialized so that we may keep up the fine record of co-operation that has prevailed in the past. Call Bond Sales Chairman John Bruun or the Avalanche office and let the boys at the front know that we are backing them with our money as well as by our moral support. Put Crawford over the top again as we have in the past.

HOWEVER much hometown publishers are insulted and kicked around by government officials, we don't believe any publisher will lessen his efforts to aid in the successful prosecution of the war. That comes first. We're fighting the war, not for Henry Morgenthau or Limer Davis, but for 140,000,000 Americans who want to live in peace and security.

MICHIGAN conservationists are fighting to save the country's last stand of virgin hardwood timber from destruction. It is located in the Porcupine Mountain region of the Upper Peninsula, and logging operations on it have begun. Don't let this beauty spot be sacrificed.

**WHY NOT SAVE WASTE PAPER.**  
 There seems to be a general interest in saving waste paper and frequently people call up the Avalanche wanting to know when theirs will be called for. We find that there has been much difficulty in the past about disposing of stocks after they have been accumulated. The local junk places do not wish to handle it, and for any local committee to take the responsibility and pay out a lot of money to people for bringing it in and then have it left on their hands seems to be the reason why there is nobody gathering waste paper in Grayling this time.

It is claimed that following the last campaign for waste paper saw tons of it hauled to the city dump in order to dispose of it. We know there are a lot of people here wanting to dispose of their waste paper and also help out paper mills that seem to be so greatly in need of it. However under the circumstances as stated here, it seems that there is no need for saving your waste paper at this time.

**Keep Shoes in Shape**  
 Shoe trees help to keep shoes in their original shape, and they should be put in immediately every time the shoes are removed. An economical plan is to wear a different pair of shoes on alternate days in order to permit each pair to dry thoroughly between wearings. This is important because perspiration is destructive to leather. Uppers constantly wet with perspiration will soon crack and rip, especially if not protected by occasional oiling.

## Report Of War Fund Drives

Mr. O. P. Schumann,  
 Editor, Crawford Avalanche,  
 Grayling, Michigan.

Dear Mr. Schumann:

Now that collections on our United States War Fund drive have been completed, we would like to make this report.

Our county's quota was \$1,667.33. Actual cash contributions amounted to \$2,013.00, approximately 120% of the quota.

Time and space will not permit listing all the contributors, although the following breakdown may prove of interest:

Subscriptions from political units such as the County and Townships, totaled, 15%.

From residents throughout the County, 75%.

From summer residents, 30%.

The only expenses paid from the fund were for advertising and postage and they totaled less than \$18.00 or 1% of the quota.

The balance of the money has been sent into State Headquarters.

It was suggested that it might be possible to retain some of the overage here for other worthy causes but our contract with the State Fund prohibited that.

Again we wish to express our thanks and appreciation to all who in any way contributed to the success of this undertaking.

Emil Giegling,  
 Chairman,  
 Crawford Committee,  
 United War Fund.

**Adlets—**

Success comes to the man who goes after it. The same applies to business.

The consistent, regular advertiser never has to "kick about" trade being dull.

If a man makes a mousetrap a little better or even far superior to the rest, the public will not wear a pathway to his door, UNLESS he advertises the fact.

The waiting game never did pay very good dividends. Some folks will persist in waiting for the ship of fortune to come in, and it never even looms on the horizon. Others will go out and seek, find the ship, and bring it and its cargo of riches into port.

Yea, this life is one of action—you'll find that in the long run, heaven helps those who help themselves. One must extend at least a little co-operation.

If your business is faltering, is slowing down—it'd be a good idea to give it regular "shots" of the business restorer and reviver known as ADVERTISING, and locally dealt in exclusively by THE CRAWFORD AVALANCHE.

At a most moderate cost, this reliable remedy soon puts the "patient" on his feet, and is the only one in which the bigger the dosage and the longer the treatment, the better the results. It has been known to drag a sick business from the brink of the grave, restore it to health, and lead it to the heights of success.

Don't blame the folks if they are not coming to your store as regularly as they used to—it can be due to the fact that you are not advertising in THE CRAWFORD AVALANCHE. You have been forgetful of the fact that this, your old Home Town Newspaper, is the best friend your business has—and that the appearance of your advertising in its columns is as a letter to all your customers, reminding them that you are still in business and still desirous of their patronage and friendship.

That 5-cent package of chewing gum you just bought has made an ordinary man, the one who manufactures it, a millionaire. He advertised it—and keeps on advertising it. If he didn't, the probabilities are that chewing gum would go off the market.

For advertising creates, stimulates and maintains demand.

Advertise and keep on going strong. It is a constant builder-upper. The home town folks look to their local newspaper to tell them regarding economies in buying—and where they can find these. If your store is not advertising, maybe that's why your trade is NOT so brisk. Try an ad in the Crawford Vigilante. You'll find it so helpful, that, like a certain popular remedy for the bellyache, you won't feel good unless you take it.

It isn't how much you spend in advertising as how often you advertise that counts.

**Save Space**

"Meh hs bn wrttn abt rfrmd spndng as a savr of spe. Possibly this wld b a gd pln. Bt it wld b a btr pln if it wr carrd frthr. If a systm of abrvtns wr adptd, as much as 40 pct of spc dld b saved. It wldn't b so hrd as u mght thnk. U cn read this, cn't u?"—Ex.

Dance to Bob Tompkins and his band at Spike's Keg O' Nails, Saturday night, Jan. 15th.

Relatives here have received word that Corp. L. Orville Deckrow, 19, had been killed in action in Italy on Nov. 30. Corp. Orville is the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Theon R. Deckrow of San Bernardino, Calif., former Grayling boy, and grandson of Frank R. Deckrow.

Mr. and Mrs. Hurl Deckrow of Bay City and Mrs. Laura Parker of Roscommon, who has been in Saginaw for several weeks visiting relatives and friends here today.

## Good Housekeeping Is Needed in Crowded Home

The more crowded the home, the more necessary is good housekeeping. Women living in small quarters, in trailers, or in makeshift homes, in order to be near industries where the men of the family are helping to win the war need to be efficiency experts if they are to contribute their full share to the nation's health, progress, and well-being.

To maintain cleanliness and orderliness in a small home that is shared by many people requires first of all good organization. This begins with the old-fashioned motto "a place for everything and everything in its place." It also means working out a schedule of tasks, and doing the tasks on schedule. Very often the reason small quarters get cluttered is because a routine of cleanliness is not maintained.

Dishes should be washed as soon as the meal is over and not left to stand around to draw flies or other vermin. Beds should be made as soon as they have had time to air thoroughly. The family should be trained to "pick up after itself" so that no dropped clothes, toys, or other articles get in the way. A flowering plant on the window sill is an asset, but a lot of bric-a-brac adds confusion.

**Islands of Spitzbergen**

**Rich in Raw Material**

Spitzbergen is five large islands and a number of rocky, barren islets. Their combined area is more than 24,000 square miles, about equal to that of West Virginia. The inhospitable northern islands, however, supported a prewar population of little more than 2,000—or roughly one person to every thousand in West Virginia.

Hardworking and frugal, the people of Spitzbergen wrest a meager living from their austere and magnificently scenic homeland. Mining and some fishing provide the chief occupations.

To the holding power, Spitzbergen is valuable for material resources as well as its key position in the Arctic. The islands hold extensive coal reserves, estimated at figures up to eight billion tons. There are also a number of other rich, although so far undeveloped, mineral deposits, including iron, copper and zinc.

Before the war, Spitzbergen had half a dozen mining camps that operated during the entire year. Coal was stored up for the summer shipping season. Coal exports totaled well over half a million tons annually.

**Eliminate Wasps**

A poison bait can be used to rid the attic of wasps. Stir a teaspoonful of paris green into a cupful of syrup or honey. After mixing well, spread the mixture on small pieces of bread or heavy paper, and put the bait where it can easily be found by the wasps; which will eventually die of the poison. Be sure the bait is out of reach of children.

Cluster flies and other small insects can be kept out of homes by proper precautions in the autumn. They can squeeze through openings, apparently smaller than their bodies. Stuff cracks around windows and screens with cotton to prevent their entrance.

A pyrethrum spray will kill or stupefy any of these attic insects. Wet the bodies thoroughly and they will either die or fall to the floor where they may be swept up. In the spring when the insects are anxious to get out of doors, simply open the attic windows, but be sure to close them again before the pests return in the evening.

**Tourists Boom**

American tourists are crowding Mexico buying up everything from "gin and electrical appliances" to baby pins and elastic. Mexico is not feeling the war as acutely as the United States, as rationing has not gone into effect there. There is plenty of everything and although they appreciate the influx of American dollars, Mexicans are getting annoyed because American tourists are thronging through the country, buying surplus goods they can't get in the United States. Some distributors even claim to have re-shipped American-made small electrical appliances again into the States.

Electrification of many countries and islands where naval and military bases have been built and which thus have been expanded considerably, will offer new profitable markets for electrical appliances after the war. The trend towards industrialization of Mexico, Brazil and other countries is creating a higher standard of living. This, of course, makes new markets.

**Sculptor Used Dynamite**

Through blasting, dynamite became a sculptor's tool for the carving of the massive Rushmore memorial. The late Gutzon Borglum, assisted by Du Pont experts, exploded charges as light as one 64th of a pound of dynamite to mold the features of Washington, Jefferson, Lincoln, and Theodore Roosevelt from the rock facade of Mount Rushmore in South Dakota.

Borglum used 6,000 pounds of dynamite and 40,000 detonating caps to move 2,000 cubic yards of granite in the forming of the head of Washington. In shaping of some of the more delicate traectrics, a single electric cap exerted sufficient force

## TALL STORY

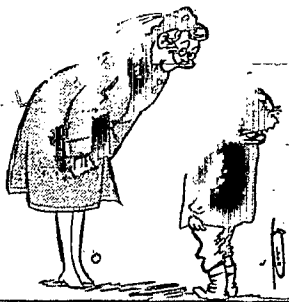
The Irishman was relating a story of his travels.

"I landed on the island and started to explore," he said. "When I got to the middle of the island I saw the biggest bear I've ever seen in my life." He paused dramatically, then continued: "There was one tree on the island, and the lowest bough was 20 feet from the ground, and I jumped from it."

"Did you manage to grasp it?" asked one of his audience.

"I didn't grasp it going up," replied the Irishman, "but I caught it coming down."

## WRONG QUESTION



Old Lady—What might your name be, sonny?  
 Small Boy—It might be John, but it ain't!

## Just Misunderstood

Boss—I'm surprised at you, Johnny. You didn't tell the truth. You had yesterday off for your grandmother's funeral and I saw her yesterday on the bus.

Johnny—I didn't say she had died, sir. I just said I'd like to go to her funeral!

## Unusual Experience

Rastus—Since youall's been in de army, has yo' heard any bullets?

Sambo—Heard 'em. Why Ah heard one bullet twice!

Rastus—How come yo' could do that?

Sambo—Ah heard it once when it passed me and then when Ah passed it!

## Slight Difficulty

New Boss—Could you get some references from your last employer?

Job Hunter—I don't think so.

New Boss—Don't think! Don't you know?

Job Hunter—Well, you see he died just after I left.

## Light Housekeeping?

Lady of the House—So you're going to leave? Aren't I paying you enough?

New Maid—You're paying enough, but I'm afraid I'm doing a horse out of a job!

## Expensive Schooling

Sandy—I hear your brother took his children out of school. What for?

Mac—He heard they had to pay attention!

## The Woman of It

Jane—I'm so happy. I'm marrying the man I wanted to marry.

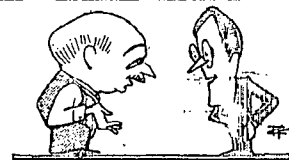
Joan—It would be more fun to marry the man someone else wants to marry!

## Quit Bragging

Jones—My ancestors came over on the Mayflower.

Smith—It's lucky they did. The immigration laws are stricter now.

## GOOD REASON!



Harry—Why did you leave your last job?  
 Jerry—Illness. The boss got sick of me.

## Some Girl!

Joe—That girl wrecked two men's lives.

Bill—How?  
 Joe—One because she wouldn't marry him and the other because she did marry him!

## Fine Treatment

Cop—Why did you keep going after I blew my whistle?

Driver—I'm deaf, officer.  
 Cop—Maybe, but you'll get your hearing tomorrow morning!

## Button, Button

Hubby—Come on and get down on your knees and help me find my collar button.

Wife—I'd like to, but it gives me the creeps.

## Some Stuff!

Harry—This stuffed bird is worth a thousand dollars!

Jerry—Yeah! What's it stuffed with?

## Store Teeth!

Harry—My girl has only a few faults.

Jerry—Yeah, upper and lower!

## Hush! Hush!

Jane—Mabel had her hair dyed black. But don't say I told you!

Joan—Why?

Jane—She wants to keep it dark!

## Just Soft Drinks

Harry—Is Jones a hard drinker?

Jerry—No. It's the easiest thing he does!

## REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE

# GRAYLING STATE SAVINGS BANK

GRAYLING, MICHIGAN.

at the close of business on December 31, 1943

Published in accordance with a call made by the Commissioner of the Banking Department pursuant to the provisions of Section 82 of the Michigan Financial Institutions Act.

ASSETS	Dollars	Cts.
Loans and discounts (including None overdrafts)	\$129,539.40	
United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	435,051.25	
Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balances, and cash items in process of collection	425,920.34	
Bank premises owned	None	
Furniture and fixtures	1.00	
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>990,511.99</b>	

LIABILITIES	Dollars	Cts.
Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	495,924.42	
Time deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	234,849.51	
Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	2,234.37	
Deposits of States and political subdivisions	141,686.25	
Other deposits (certified and officers' checks, etc.)	45,254.99	
<b>TOTAL DEPOSITS</b>	<b>\$919,949.54</b>	

Other liabilities	2,850.40
<b>Total Liabilities (not including subordinated obligations shown below)</b>	<b>922,799.94</b>

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	Dollars	Cts.
Capital	\$ 25,000.00	
Surplus	35,000.00	
Undivided profits	7,712.05	
Reserves (and retirement account for preferred capital)	None	
<b>Total Capital Accounts</b>	<b>67,712.05</b>	
<b>Total Liabilities and Capital Accounts</b>	<b>990,511.99</b>	

\* This bank's capital consists of \$25,000.00 of capital notes and debentures; first preferred stock with total par value of \$25,000.00; second preferred stock with total par value of \$25,000.00; and common stock with total par value of \$25,000.00.

## REMEMORANDA

Pledged assets (and securities loaned) (book value):	
(a) U. S. Government obligations, direct and guaranteed, pledged to secure deposits and other liabilities	None
<b>Total</b>	<b>None</b>

Secured and preferred liabilities:	
<b>Total</b>	<b>None</b>

Subordinated obligations:	
(a) Unpaid dividends on preferred stock and unpaid interest on capital notes and debentures, accrued to end of last dividend or interest period, not included in liabilities or reserves above	None
(b) Other obligations not included in liabilities which are subordinated to claims of depositors and other creditors	None

(a) On date of report the required legal reserve against deposits of this bank was	114,993.69
(b) Assets reported above which were eligible as legal reserve amounted to	805,971.59

I, Margrethe Nielsen, Cashier, of the above-named bank do solemnly affirm that the above statement is true, and that it fully and correctly represents the true state of the several matters herein contained and set forth, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Correct—Attest: Margrethe Nielsen.

Wilhelm Raas  
 John Bruun,  
 Holger Hanson,  
 Directors.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF CRAWFORD, ss:

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 4th day of January, 1944, and I hereby certify that I am not an officer or director of this bank.

Olga Nielsen, Notary Public.

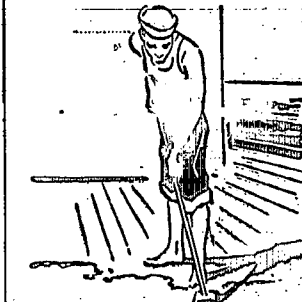
My commission expires Nov. 21, 1944.

**Pick Vegetables Properly**  
 Vegetables picked at the right time have much better flavor and quality than those picked too early or too late. Correct harvest also enables many vegetable plants, such as beans and summer squash, to continue production instead of ripening the first early pods or fruits.

**What You Buy With WAR BONDS**

**Holy Stone**

Cleanliness is the first order of every American soldier and sailor and the United States Government spends millions upon millions of dollars to keep our fighting men as clean and as healthy as circumstances will permit.



"Swab the deck!" cries out a petty officer and the men fall to with their "holy stone" equipment and in a short time everything is spick and span.

Buy War Bonds and more War Bonds and you know that you are sharing in the effort that will free the world from war lord domination.

U. S. Treasury Department

**Want Ads**

**FOR RENT—Furnished apartment, modern, oil heat, Phone 3816.**

**LOST—Oil and C ration books. In brown envelope. Finder Please leave at Avalanche office or with ration board. Stanley Madsen, Phone 4438.**

**FOR SALE—Crosley 7-tube all electric radio. Inquire, Junior Trudeau. Phone 3161.**

**FOR SALE—Very choice Holstein, Guernsey and Ayrshire heifers, \$25 each and up. Shipped C. O. D. if desired. Bull tree with 5 heifers. Homestead Farms, McGraw, N. Y. 1-6-5.**

**WANTED—To buy, a small or medium sized saw-mill. Send information to H. L. Fox, Allen, Mich. 12-30-31**

**FOR SALE—Circulating Heater. In fair condition. Ray Danno, 212 Alger St., South Side. 12-30-43**

**WANTED—Log and pulpwood cutters, Housing accommodations furnished. Apply to C. H. Lintz, South Branch Ranch, Roscommon, Mich. 12-30-31**

**FOR SALE—Blonde Walnut bridge table, like new, with folding, swivel top. Trudeau Studio.**

**BABY CHICKS—Book your order now for January. February, March, April, May or June delivery to insure delivery when you want them and save \$1.00 to \$2.00 per 100 chicks, early order discount. Sterling Poultry Farm & Hatchery, Sterling, Mich. 12-16-43**

**Borneo Oil**  
 Borneo has no railways and few roads. The oil wealth of the island has not been fully exploited. In 1940, exports of American drilling machinery to the Netherlands Indies exceeded a million dollars worth. In the past decade Japan has tried to obtain oil concessions on Borneo.

**Aids Eyes**  
 One good serving of carrots will supply at least one-half of your daily requirement of vitamin A or carotene, which is the mother substance of vitamin A. Vitamin A is extremely helpful in maintaining a good healthy condition of the mucous lining of eyes; throat, nose, digestive tract, etc. So call upon your vegetable garden for plenty of carrots.

**REGISTERED O. I. C. Boar service. Andie A. Nelson, Beaver Creek. 12-30-3.**

**CASH—For your used cars. Phone 3731, Dore Mfg. Co. Grayling. 1**



# BURROWS' Food Market

Takes pride in looking after the wants of their patrons. It is their desire to do everything to please you.

This is a home-owned institution for home community citizens.



Mrs. B. J. Callahan spent four days last week with relatives in Saginaw.

Mrs. A. J. Nelson is spending several days in Detroit, visiting two of her sisters who reside in that city.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Kennedy, who have been cooking on the lake steamer, "Sumatra", for several months, have returned to their home here.

Mrs. Fritz Bertl of Roscommon has received word from her brother, Capt. Leonard H. Knibbs, that he is on duty in the Southwest Pacific area.

Jack Callahan of Pinconning visited his mother, Mrs. B. J. Callahan, Sunday. Also, Arthur Schwind of Merrill spent a few days this week at the Callahan home.

Hazen Hatfield, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hatfield, who enlisted in the Navy on Dec. 28th, left Jan. 3 for the Great Lakes Naval Training Station.

Word has been received by his parents Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hatfield, that Pvt. Harold (Bum) Hatfield, is now in England, being transferred from Italy.

In spite of the apparent waste of trees when there is an over-supply of Christmas trees on the market, foresters concerned with the conservation of forest resources do not consider Christmas tree cutting a serious menace or believe that it will dangerously deplete our forest resources, the conservation department has announced.

It is with considerable pride that we are able to announce that Grayling Mercy Hospital has been awarded full approval by the American College of Surgeons. For many years past Mercy Hospital has been on the approved list of this organization. This is the only general hospital in Northeastern Michigan north of Bay City to have this rating, which speaks highly for it.

Grayling Sportsmen's club held their monthly meeting at the Legion Hall Wednesday evening. President Stanley Madson read a number of communications from state and national sportsmen clubs, advocating several types of legislation that were deemed pertinent to the policies of the clubs. Heading the evening's events was a talk by Russell Martin, manager of the State Conservation Department training school at Higgins Lake. Mr. Martin also showed a number of photo-chrome pictures of some of the beauty spots of Michigan and its wild flowers, game and other natural resources.

I will be in Gaylord, Friday and Saturday evening, January 17, 1944. Offices over Guggisberg store, 9 a. m. to 8 p. m. Eyes examined and glasses prescribed. Call phone 143M, Gaylord, for appointment. Dr. Kenneth W. Tinker, Optometrist, Traverse City, Michigan.

## The Weather

Several inches of snow fell Wednesday and Wednesday night. The weather in general for the past week has been about normal. Temperatures have been as follows:

	6 A. M.	6 P. M.
Friday	12	18
Saturday	8	21
Sunday	16	21
Monday	18	28
Tuesday	20	14
Wednesday	12	18
Thursday	10	18

Highways are open and traffic seems as usual.

Vitamin A in Ice Cream

Of the vitamins, vitamin A is contained in ice cream in the greatest amount.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Knibbs entertained the Feldhauser family and a few friends at their home Saturday evening in honor of Sgt. Gus Feldhauser, who returned to Port St. Joe, Va., Sunday after spending his furlough.

Thunder Bay river has been the popular place for fishing of late. Last Saturday George Granger, Oscar Goss and son Leslie, Dr. Russell VanVleet, Frank Bond and William Heric tried their luck. Sunday, Marvin Marshall, Joseph Daniels and Edwin Chalker drove over to the river and Tuesday Fred Lamm, Amos and Chris Hoelsi and Menno Corwin brought home their fish. Are there any left boys?

Mrs. Grace Parker-Newell, is returning today to Chickasha, Okla., after having been here since Monday visiting her mother, Mrs. Melvin Enyart and sister Mrs. Axel M. Peterson. Mrs. Newell is a Red Cross nurse and on duty at Borden General Hospital in Chickasha. Her husband, Lieut. Paul Newell, who is stationed at the same hospital, had planned to come with her but his leave was cancelled at the last moment.

When the war ends there will be sharp competition between cities and towns to get trade. The town that has shown the most enterprise and hustle and effort to please the customers will get the best share of it—Lowell Ledger.

Sgt. Eben C. Fife of Kansas City, Mo., arrived on New Year's Day to spend a ten days furlough with his wife, who is residing with her sister, Mrs. Jens Ziebell, for the duration. Mrs. Fife had spent two weeks previously with her husband in Kansas City. She is employed as bookkeeper at the Alfred Hanson garage.

## Chas. E. Bingham, Former Resident, Passes On

Charles E. Bingham, retired M. C. engineer, and a former Grayling citizen, died at his home in Somerset Center, Mich., on January 3rd. Mr. Bingham's boyhood was spent in Pinconning, where he started his railroad work as a helper in the round-house. With his retirement six years ago, he had completed more than 54 years of service with the Lines as a locomotive engineer and supervisor of inspection at Detroit. Surviving are his widow, Ann, and two daughters, Mrs. Richard Stephan (Virginia) and Miss Helen Bingham, of Detroit. Funeral services were held at the home in Somerset, January 5th. There are still many in Grayling who remember the Bingham family and are sorry to learn of Mr. Bingham's passing.

## Entertains Bridge Club

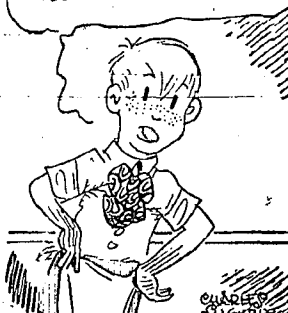
Mrs. Emil Gregling entertained the ladies of her bridge club at a very lovely luncheon Wednesday afternoon. The guests were seated at a long lace-covered table with a fruit arrangement at each end of the table. High scorers for bridge following the luncheon were Mrs. George Olson and Mrs. Franklin P. Hills. Guests of the club were Mrs. Fred Walters, Mrs. Harold Jarmin and Mrs. Hills.

A Red Cross call has come in for a lot of sweaters and watch caps. Knitters are needed. If you can help, please get in touch with Mrs. C. J. McNamara or Mrs. Margaret Bauman. They have the yarn and can give full instructions.

For a night of real enjoyment dance to Bob Tompkins band at Spike's.

## MICKIE SAYS—

TH' OUT OF TOWN NEWSPAPER TAKES OUR BUSINESS AWAY WITH ITS ADS, AND HAS NO INTEREST IN OUR TOWN EXCEPT TO GET OUR MONEY—GIVE US HER NEWS—SUBSCRIBE TO THIS NEWSPAPER.



Fish Supply  
A farm fish pond one acre in size properly fertilized and managed, and located in a region where favorable natural conditions exist, can supply 200 to 400 pounds of fish per year for the family table.

From Field to Battleship  
Farm products such as leather, wool, cotton, turpentine, lumber, into the structure of a modern ship.

## THE POCKETBOOK OF KNOWLEDGE

37,000 THINGS  
1,000,000 MACHINE GUNS  
14 BILLION POUNDS OF AMMUNITION  
THE PLANO IS SO NAMED BECAUSE IT COULD READILY BE PLAYED EITHER SOFT OR LOUD. IT WAS ORIGINALLY DESIGNED FOR THE PIANO (SOFT), FOR THE (LOUD).

IT TAKES FROM 14 TO 22 MONTHS FOR A PINEAPPLE TO MATURE

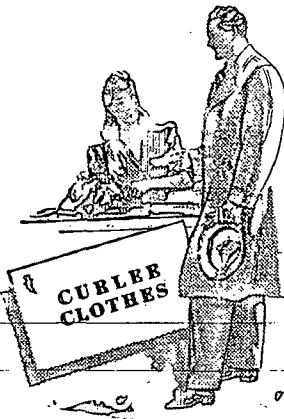
AMERICAN RAILROADS HANDLED 7,543,631 TONS OF FREIGHT IN THE FIRST 12 MONTHS OF THIS YEAR—MORE THAN 4 TIMES AS MUCH AS IN THE SAME PERIOD OF THE LAST YEAR!

## Next To Buying WAR BONDS . . .

Your best investment is a

NEW SUIT and O'COAT

They are tops in this price class, and, now, at our January Sale of 20% Off, they surely are a good investment.



Splendid Assortment of LADIES' and MISSES'

COATS and DRESSES

at Greatly Reduced Prices

FOR CASH AND LATER



Grayling Mercantile Co.

## States Provide Cities With Revenue Sources

Municipalities of a dozen states were benefited this year by the passage of legislation providing for new or increased shares of state collected taxes and the development of new sources of independent, local revenue, the American Municipal Association reports.

Cities and counties in Arkansas will receive for the first time a share of state sales tax collections. Allocations will be based on population except in the case of towns of less than 500, which will receive a flat sum of \$200 a year. Alabama cities have been granted 20 per cent of the profits of the state liquor monopoly to be allocated on the basis of the ratio of profits earned by a municipality's store to total profits of all state liquor stores.

The 1943 Kansas legislature provided for distribution of 75 per cent of net revenues from cigarette stamp tax collections to cities and counties. Amounts will be paid monthly to counties according to population ratio; half of the money will then go to cities within the county. Oregon cities will receive allocations from road-user revenues for the first time, and municipalities will be given approximately \$135,000 extra annually from increases in customer liquor permit costs. South Carolina cities and towns will receive about \$300,000 a year from motor vehicle license fees, and Washington municipalities will share state collected liquor and motor vehicle excise taxes.

A new Wisconsin measure allocates to municipalities 75 per cent of drivers' license fees when examinations are conducted locally. The North Carolina legislature appropriated for municipalities \$1,000,000 annually of state collected highway funds for construction and maintenance of city and town streets.

## Cure Onion's Outer Scales Before Storage

Onions must be cured before they are stored, so that the outer scales may dry and harden. If the weather is reasonably dry, and as long as there is no danger of frost, the curing may be done in the garden. First pull the bulbs and leave them on the ground with the tops attached. After a few days the tops will have dried and the curing will be complete.

If a sharp frost threatens, or if there is much rainy weather, the curing is better done in a shed or garage. The onions are spread on the floor or are kept in slatted, well-ventilated crates. After curing, the tops are cut off and the bulbs are put in storage. Unlike most other vegetables, onions keep well only in a dry place. Most cellars are too damp, but a frost-proof attic usually makes an excellent storage place. At a temperature of about 40 degrees, the onions will keep in a dry place until late next spring.

Bulbs that have thick necks, or show soft rot, should be kept separate and should be used first, as they will keep only a few weeks.

Nylon From Coal  
Molecular engineers created nylon out of the elements of coal, air and water.

## Thoughtful Father

Sandy—I hear your daughter has eloped. But I suppose you will forgive the young couple?

Mac—Not until after they have located a place to board!

Come Again?!

Jane—What's wrong with the fellow asking you if you can dance?

Joan—Well, I was dancing with him when he asked me!

Some Pun!

Jerry—He looks kinda down in the mouth.

Jerry—Who does?

Jerry—The dentist!

Simple Logic

Stranger—Why did they build this station so far out of town?

Agent—Probably because they wanted to get it near the railroad!

Tenshun!

Rookie—How can I keep my feet from falling asleep?

Sarge—Simple. Don't let them turn in!

SIMPLE AS ABC

Mr. Brown—What's the idea of turning off my lights?

Collector—We don't get the currency. You don't get the current. See?

Rest Trouble

Brown—Bill has been married only six months and he has gray hair already.

Blue—He's lucky. I haven't any hair at all!

No Danger!

Stranger—Your mother has the mumps? You want to look out. They're contagious!

Jimmy—She's my step-mother—she wouldn't give me anything!

In the Navy

Old Salt—How do you like sleeping in a hammock?

New Gob—Fine. Every time I get back in it I feel much better than when I was on the floor!

Learning Early

Mother—And now, dear, why is it that we must keep our house clean and neat?

Daughter—Because company might walk in any minute!

Well Paid?

Smith—I understand your wife's brother is an author. Does he write for money?

Jones—Yeh. In every letter we ever get!

Small Target

Guide—There's a leopard. Hurry, shoot him on the spot.

Hunter—Which spot?—Be more specific!

Rationed!

Jones—I'm going to complain. My plate is damp!

Smith—Shush, that's your soup!

## Rationing at a Glance

Board opens to the public 10 a. m. to 5 p. m. every weekday.

PROCESSED FOODS.

Green D, E and F in Book 4 good through January 20.

Green G, H, and J good thru Feb. 20.

MEATS, CHEESE, BUTTER, FATS, CANNED FISH, CANNED MILK.

Brown stamps R and S in Book 3 good thru Jan. 9, 1944.

Jan. 16, all expire Jan. 29. Spare stamp No. 2 in Book 4 good for 5 points on purchase of all fresh pork and all sausage (except canned and bottled) through Jan. 15.

SUGAR

Stamps 29 in Book 4 good for 5 pounds through Jan. 15, 1944.

Stamp 30 in Book 4 good for 5 pounds Jan. 16 through March 31.

SHOES.

Stamp 18 in Book 1 and No. 1 airplane stamp in Book 3 good for 1 pair each until further notice.

GASOLINE

Stamp A-9 good for 3 gallons through Jan. 21, 1944. B, C, D, E and C-1 stamps good for 2 gallons until further notice. B-2 and C-2 stamps good for 5 gallons until used. State and license numbers must be written on face of each coupon IMMEDIATELY upon receipt of book.

TIRES

Next inspection due: A book vehicles by March 31, 1944; B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z, AA, AB, AC, AD, AE, AF, AG, AH, AI, AJ, AK, AL, AM, AN, AO, AP, AQ, AR, AS, AT, AU, AV, AW, AX, AY, AZ, BA, BB, BC, BD, BE, BF, BG, BH, BI, BJ, BK, BL, BM, BN, BO, BP, BQ, BR, BS, BT, BU, BV, BW, BX, BY, BZ, CA, CB, CC, CD, CE, CF, CG, CH, CI, CJ, CK, CL, CM, CN, CO, CP, CQ, CR, CS, CT, CU, CV, CW, CX, CY, CZ, DA, DB, DC, DD, DE, DF, DG, DH, DI, DJ, DK, DL, DM, DN, DO, DP, DQ, DR, DS, DT, DU, DV, DW, DX, DY, DZ, EA, EB, EC, ED, EE, EF, EG, EH, EI, EJ, EK, EL, EM, EN, EO, EP, EQ, ER, ES, ET, EU, EV, EW, EX, EY, EZ, FA, FB, FC, FD, FE, FF, FG, FH, FI, FJ, FK, FL, FM, FN, FO, FP, FQ, FR, FS, FT, FU, FV, FW, FX, FY, FZ, GA, GB, GC, GD, GE, GF, GG, GH, GI, GJ, GK, GL, GM, GN, GO, GP, GQ, GR, GS, GT, GU, GV, GW, GX, GY, GZ, HA, HB, HC, HD, HE, HF, HG, HH, HI, HJ, HK, HL, HM, HN, HO, HP, HQ, HR, HS, HT, HU, HV, HW, HX, HY, HZ, IA, IB, IC, ID, IE, IF, IG, IH, II, IJ, IK, IL, IM, IN, IO, IP, IQ, IR, IS, IT, IU, IV, IW, IX, IY, IZ, JA, JB, JC, JD, JE, JF, JG, JH, JI, JJ, JK, JL, JM, JN, JO, JP, JQ, JR, JS, JT, JU, JV, JW, JX, JY, JZ, KA, KB, KC, KD, KE, KF, KG, KH, KI, KJ, KK, KL, KM, KN, KO, KP, KQ, KR, KS, KT, KU, KV, KW, KX, KY, KZ, LA, LB, LC, LD, LE, LF, LG, LH, LI, LJ, LK, LL, LM, LN, LO, LP, LQ, LR, LS, LT, LU, LV, LW, LX, LY, LZ, MA, MB, MC, MD, ME, MF, MG, MH, MI, MJ, MK, ML, MM, MN, MO, MP, MQ, MR, MS, MT, MU, MV, MW, MX, MY, MZ, NA, NB, NC, ND, NE, NF, NG, NH, NI, NJ, NK, NL, NM, NN, NO, NP, NQ, NR, NS, NT, NU, NV, NW, NX, NY, NZ, OA, OB, OC, OD, OE, OF, OG, OH, OI, OJ, OK, OL, OM, ON, OO, OP, OQ, OR, OS, OT, OU, OV, OW, OX, OY, OZ, PA, PB, PC, PD, PE, PF, PG, PH, PI, PJ, PK, PL, PM, PN, PO, PP, PQ, PR, PS, PT, PU, PV, PW, PX, PY, PZ, QA, QB, QC, QD, QE, QF, QG, QH, QI, QJ, QK, QL, QM, QN, QO, QP, QQ, QR, QS, QT, QU, QV, QW, QX, QY, QZ, RA, RB, RC, RD, RE, RF, RG, RH, RI, RJ, RK, RL, RM, RN, RO, RP, RQ, RR, RS, RT, RU, RV, RW, RX, RY, RZ, SA, SB, SC, SD, SE, SF, SG, SH, SI, SJ, SK, SL, SM, SN, SO, SP, SQ, SR, SS, ST, SU, SV, SW, SX, SY, SZ, TA, TB, TC, TD, TE, TF, TG, TH, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TM, TN, TO, TP, TQ, TR, TS, TT, TU, TV, TW, TX, TY, TZ, UA, UB, UC, UD, UE, UF, UG, UH, UI, UJ, UK, UL, UM, UN, UO, UP, UQ, UR, US, UT, UY, UZ, VA, VB, VC, VD, VE, VF, VG, VH, VI, VJ, VK, VL, VM, VN, VO, VP, VQ, VR, VS, VT, VU, VV, VW, VX, VY, VZ, WA, WB, WC, WD, WE, WF, WG, WH, WI, WJ, WK, WL, WM, WN, WO, WP, WQ, WR, WS, WT, WU, WV, WW, WX, WY, WZ, XA, XB, XC, XD, XE, XF, XG, XH, XI, XJ, XK, XL, XM, XN, XO, XP, XQ, XR, XS, XT, XU, XV, XW, XX, XY, XZ, YA, YB, YC, YD, YE, YF, YG, YH, YI, YJ, YK, YL, YM, YN, YO, YP, YQ, YR, YS, YT, YU, YV, YW, YX, YY, YZ, ZA, ZB, ZC, ZD, ZE, ZF, ZG, ZH, ZI, ZJ, ZK, ZL, ZM, ZN, ZO, ZP, ZQ, ZR, ZS, ZT, ZU, ZV, ZW, ZX, ZY, ZZ.

FUEL OIL

Coupons 2 and 3 good now. No. 2 expires Feb. 7, No. 3, Mar. 13. Unit value, 10 gallons.

Change-making and reserve coupons good throughout heat year. Consumption in Cleveland area shouldn't have exceeded 3 per cent of season's ration.

OPA RADIO PROGRAMS

District Director John F. Kessel broadcasts from State WEDE, 1:00-1:15 p. m. every Friday; WBCN, 3:45-4:00 p. m. every Friday; WSAM, 3:15-3:30 p. m. every Tuesday.

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## Interesting Events In Grayling 23 Years Ago

INTERESTING ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM THE FILES OF THE AVALANCHE OF 23 YEARS AGO

### Twenty three Years Ago—January 13, 1921

Leonard Eichen of Bay City was in Grayling Monday in the interest of the Wildman Rubber Co. of Bay City, hoping to interest local investors in the purchase of stock in that organization.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Martin are the proud parents of a baby son, born to them Sunday morning.

Chris Scow is absent from his duties for Salling-Hanson Lumber Co. suffering from an attack of rheumatism.

John Chernish has returned to Norfolk, Va., to join his ship, the U. S. S. Nevada, after spending a 15-day furlough with his father in South Branch Township.

Ed McCary of Caro was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Clark, Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Arthur Schragger of Chicago is a guest of her sister, Mrs. Brenner and family, for a couple

The ladies of the Woman's Club entertained the members of the Good Fellowship Club, Tuesday evening. A lecture was given by S. E. Gungorich of the U. of M. His subject was "The Effect of the War on America and American Literature".

Mrs. Helen Thorgaard left for her home in Bay City, Monday.

Miss Flavia Robertson returned Saturday to Detroit after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Robertson.

The newly elected officers of the Ladies' National League are: Pres., Phoebe Johnson; 1st Vice, Emma Knibbs; 2nd Vice, Prudence Marshall; Chap., Myrtle Corwin; Treas., Margaret Mitchell; Secy., Mabelle Doroh; Marshal, Hazel Ewalt; Asst. Marshal, Minnie Yoder; Sentinel, Delia Matthews; Picket, Maude Owens; Organist, Charlotte Flagg.

## Do you feel "left out of it"?

ARE YOU missing the chance to share in this war—missing an experience you'd value all your life?

Right now, in the WAC, you could be doing a vital Army job. You could be getting valuable training, meeting new people, seeing new places while serving your country.

More Wacs are needed at once. Get full details about eligibility, training, pay, the jobs Wacs do, how they live. Go to the nearest U. S. Army Recruiting Station. (Your local post office will give you the address.) Or write: The Adjutant General, Room 4415, Munitions Building, Washington, D. C. Do it today!

## Consumers To Budget Fuel Oil

The OPA today issued its regular report on fuel oil consumption designed to give householders a ready index for budgeting their ration.

The report shows that, as of today, consumers in this area should not have used more than 31 per cent of their total yearly fuel oil ration.

Period 1 coupons which went into effect July 1 throughout the 33-state rationed area expires for use by consumers January 3, 1944. Last November 30, period 3 coupons became valid for use. Consumers in all areas still may use their period 2 coupons.

In addition to these "period" or definite value coupons, which are assigned a gasoline value periodically on the basis of supplies available, this year's rationing plan provides definite value coupons good throughout the year. These coupons represent a sizable portion of the household's total ration.

The weekly index of rationing which should have been consumed by the date of issuance is computed from a careful survey of weather conditions in each area. The shortages in distillates are created to some extent by the equalization of the supply over the entire country, but are primarily caused by the changes in refining methods necessitated in producing 100 octane gasoline. In many areas, the weather this year has been colder than normal, but not to the extent that many rationing have been used. There is every indication that people are consuming oil in excess of the percentage of the rationing season which has elapsed.

The weekly fuel oil index designed to aid consumers budget their fuel oil consumption was released today by the Saginaw district office of the Office of Price Administration.

The report shows that as of today householders in this locality should have used not more than 30 per cent of their total yearly oil ration.

With more than half the winter still to come it is important that every oil user redouble his efforts to conserve his oil supply. Unless all conservation measures are taken the consumer's fuel oil ration may not be sufficient to last through the rest of the winter. To make sure that householders are not burning their oil too fast, the proportion of the yearly ration which has already been used should not be greater than the maximum OPA figure announced today.

Converted Into Vitamin  
Nicotine can be converted by oxidation into the vitamin, niacin.

## Air Force Men Get Arctic Training in Colorado



An arctic training command has been established by the U. S. army air forces at Echo Lake high in the Colorado Rocky mountains. Left: One of the first things trainees are taught is the use of snowshoes. Two men are shown pulling a sled which did not get into the picture. Right: Air force trainees are taught to build igloos. The wind is too high on the steep mountain slopes for a tent. Commanding officer of Camp Echo Lake is Capt. C. A. K. Innes-Taylor. He is a veteran of two Byrd expeditions.

### South Branch News

Cpl. Wilson Hartman of California is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hartman.

Mrs. D. A. Jones is improving nicely. She underwent an operation recently.

Several friends of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Hart gathered at their home Friday evening. The Harts received many nice gifts. A lovely lunch was served later in the evening.

Pfc. Carl Nass of Gulfport, Miss., arrived here last week end to visit friends.

Mr. McGuire has been quite ill with the flu but is much better now.

Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Dyer left Wednesday for Lansing where they will spend a week visiting relatives.

Pfc. Guy Shell left Sunday for Camp Hauze, Texas.

Mr. John Brunt and Mr. Warden baited hay near Mio Saturday.

Mr. Joseph Ausum is seriously ill with the flu.

### To the People of this Community

**KILL OR BE KILLED**

United States Marines paid the steepest price in human life per square yard for the capture of Tarawa, vital Pacific outpost.

It was kill or be killed. Your boys did not flinch when they ran into the deadliest fire power along the beaches of this important Gilbert Island stronghold.

This assault, bloody and costly, is one of the many which must be made before Tokyo and Berlin are pounded into dust and ashes.

What are you doing to back up the boys? Remember these are boys from this very community. Perhaps from your very home. Any home in your neighborhood which today does not display the Treasury's red, white and blue 4th War Loan Shield—proclaiming "We bought Extra War Bonds" is not backing the attack. Every Extra War Bond you buy becomes a direct fighter against Japan and Germany. If you could but see one man die on the battlefield, you would not count the cost of your slight sacrifices to buy Extra War Bonds to make each succeeding assault less costly in the lives of our boys.

You can't afford NOT to buy Extra Bonds to the 4th War Loan drive—you would help these boys.

### Negro Women Advance

As Pennsylvania Railroad Goes to War



1. Mrs. Marion Turner, head waitress (standing), waitresses Mrs. Metta Tally set a dining table as Mrs. Esther Terry, left, and Mrs. Eva Baxter, waitresses, look on. Mrs. Turner was promoted from waitress.  
2. Miss Irene Dunn, one of numerous coach lunch waitresses, finds hungry customers in a Pennsylvania Railroad train.  
3. Miss Flossie Sawyer inspecting and packing fresh pies baked in the Pennsylvania Railroad commissary kitchen at Sunnyside Yard, Long Island City.  
4. Mrs. Jessie Sims, left, is foreman of a gang of 38 coach cleaners at Sunnyside Yard.  
5. Mrs. Gertrude M. Whitley, promoted from station cleaner, operates an elevator in Broad Street Station, Philadelphia.

### Planting Sharptailed Grouse a Success

Shipment is expected soon of the first of 200 pairs of wild-trapped sharptails ordered from Alberta, Canada, to plant in the northern part of the lower peninsula, the conservation department game division has announced.

Altho' the sharp-tailed grouse is a relative newcomer to Michigan, it is well established in the northern peninsula and until last winter birds were live-trapped there and transplanted to the southern peninsula. This species is well adapted to Michigan winters and always seems to find enough food, no matter what the weather.

The birds were ordered from the Alberta Sportsmen's Association which furnished 3/2 for planting last year. Wild birds have to be trapped because the breeders have not been successful in raising this species. Sharptails can be trapped only in the winter months when they can be baited into feeding stations.

A total of 1,084 sharptails have been transplanted from Wisconsin, Alberta and the northern peninsula since 1927. In some areas they have become established and are already providing hunting.

Yea: Carlsson, Burns, Burke, Minnes, Gross, Nay: none. Moved and supported that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

GEORGE A. GRANGER, City Clerk.

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The Probate Court for the County of Crawford

At a session of said court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Grayling in said County, on the 8th day of January, A. D. 1944.

Present: Hon. Charles E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Mathilde Bianot Myers, deceased.

It appearing to the Court that the time for presentation of the claims against said estate should be limited and that a time and place be appointed to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands against said deceased by and before said Court;

It is ordered, that creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said Court at said Probate Office on or before the 20th day of March, A. D. 1944, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, said time and place being hereby appointed for the examination and adjustment of all claims and demands against said deceased.

It is further ordered, that publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Crawford Avalanche a newspaper printed and circulated in said County.

Charles E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

A true copy. Charles E. Moore, Judge of Probate. 1-13-44

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Present: Honorable Charles E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Louise M. Duby, Deceased.

Louise M. Duby, having filed in said court her petition praying that the administration of said estate be granted to her or to some other suitable person, it is ordered, that the 31st day of January, A. D. 1944, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

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### Council Proceedings

Regular meeting of the Grayling City Council was held January 3, 1944.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Burke. Councilmen present: Burke, Burns, Minnes, Gross and Carlson. Absent: none.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Moved by Gross, supported by Burke, that the report of the Cemetery Committee as presented by the Chairman, T. W. Hanson, November 1st to the Council, be approved and accepted and that the Cemetery Committee be duly commended for the excellent work that was done during the summer of 1943.

Yea: Gross, Burns, Burns, Carlson, Minnes, Nay: none.

Moved by Carlson, supported by Burke, that the City Manager be authorized to contact several firms or architects to submit prices on designing and preparing specifications for a City Hall, report to be made to the Council when such information has been obtained.

Yea: Carlson, Burns, Burns, Minnes, Gross, Nay: none.

Moved and supported that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

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## Church News

### MICHELSON MEMORIAL CHURCH

Sunday Services

10:00 A. M.—Bible School

11:00 A. M.—Public worship

Young People's meeting at 6:30

Join us in these helpful meetings.

Public is invited.

H. W. Kuhlman, Pastor.

### GRAYLING EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

English Sunday Services

9:45 A. M.—Sunday School

11 A. M.—Worship

Everyone is welcome.

Svend Holm, Pastor.

### FREE METHODIST CHURCH

Corner Shellenburger and State

Sunday Services

Sunday School—10:00 a. m.

Sermon—11:00 a. m.

Evening Worship—7:30 p. m.

Prayer meeting

Friday 7:30 p. m.

Come and worship with us.

Alva Calkins, Pastor.

### CALVARY CHURCH

The Book—2 Tim 3:16

The Blood Heb. 9:22

That Blessed Hope, Titus 2:13

New Location—Grange Hall

Sunday Services

10:00 A. M.—Sunday School

6:45 P. M.—Young people.

7:30 P. M.—Preaching.

### Midweek Services

Thursday—

7:30 P. M.—Prayer and Everybody's Bible Class.

You are welcome.

Pastor, F. D. Barnes.

### FREDERIC BIBLE CHURCH

"We preach Christ crucified for our sins"

10:30 a. m.—Sunday School

8:00 p. m.—Evening School

Wednesday—Prayer meeting and Bible study—8:00 p. m.

### EXCELSOR CHURCH (near Darragh)

Services every Friday night—8:00 p. m.

### JOHANNESBURG

Services every Thursday night—8:00 p. m.

Rev. Chas. Opitz, Pastor

### STOP, LOOK AND LISTEN WHEN THE PRESCRIPTION SAYS DOPE

One of the formidable post-war problems will be the combating of widespread narcotic addiction.

Gobind Behari Lal, famous science analyst, writing in The American Weekly with this Sunday's (Jan. 16) issue of The Detroit Times, explains how medical chemists are striving to find a safe substitute for habit forming opiates. Get Sunday's Detroit Times!

### Riviera Best for Olives

The shore and mountains of the French and Italian Riviera are regarded as the most olive-growing lands.

### Rent Control

Federal rent control, it is estimated, prevented a rise in the nation's rent bill of \$300,000,000 during 1942, and will save a billion dollars during 1943.

### STATE OF MICHIGAN ORDER OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION—OTTER

The Director of Conservation having made a thorough investigation of conditions relative to otter, recommends certain regulations.